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TAGS: EWWT, CO

SUBJ: SECURITY SURCHARGE ONE DOLLAR AT PORT BUENAVENTURA

1. CONSUL AND VICE CONSUL VISITED PORT OF BUENAVENTURA TODAY AND WERE INFORMED BY ONE OF LARGEST SHIPPING AGENTS (COMAR) THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR THE CHARGING OF A SECURITY SURCHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR PER IMPORT AND EXPORT TON, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2. THIS SURCHARGE WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO THE PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE IN EFFECT OF FOUR DOLLARS PER IMPORT TON AND TWO DOLLARS PER EXPORT TON. THERE IS ALSO THE PORT HANDLING SURCHARGE OF 2.75 DOLLARS PER IMPORT TON AND 2.57 DOLLARS PER EXPORT TON AND THE BUNKERING CHARGE OF 15 DOLLARS PER TON FOR THE PACIFIC COAST SHIPMENTS TO BUENAVENTURA AND 8.25 DOLLARS PER TON FOR ATLANTIC AND GULF PORT SHIPMENTS TO BUENAVENTURA. ALL THESE FEES ARE IN ADDITION TO THE APPROXIMATELY 60 DOLLARS PER TON FREIGHT CHARGE.

COMMENT: DREDGING OPERATIONS AT BUENAVENTURA WERE SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED LAST MONTH WITH DEEP WATER NOW AT ALL BERTHS. THE CONSULATE SERIOUSLY QUESTIONS THE PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGES MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1, AS THERE WERE ONLY 6 SHIPS UNLOADING TODAY AT THE PORT'S 14 BERTHS. THIS CONTRASTS WITH 18 SHIPS STACKED UP IN THE HARBOR AWAITING BERTHING SPACE ONLY THREE MONTHS AGO. AS WAREHOUSE FACILITIES APPEAR FULLY ADEQUATE TO
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HANDLE PRESENT TRANSIT CARGO, THE CONSULATE STRONGLY ADVISES

EFFORTS BE MADE AT THIS TIME TO LIFT THE CONGESTION SURCHARGE
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